

July 5, 2005

TO: Members of the MAG Management Committee

FROM: Mike Hutchinson, Mesa, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Wednesday, July 13, 2005 - noon (Meeting will begin promptly at noon)
MAG Office, Suite 200 - Saguaro Room
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

The next Management Committee meeting will be held at the MAG offices at the time and place noted above. Members of the Management Committee may attend the meeting either in person, by videoconference or by telephone conference call. The agenda and summaries are being transmitted to the members of the Regional Council to foster increased dialogue regarding the agenda items between members of the Management Committee and Regional Council. You are encouraged to review the supporting information enclosed. Lunch will be provided at a nominal cost.

Please park in the garage under the building, bring your ticket, parking will be validated. Special parking places marked "MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBER" will be reserved for Management Committee members on the fourth and fifth levels of the garage. For those using transit, Valley Metro/RPTA will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycle in the bike rack in the garage.

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Members are reminded of the importance of attendance by yourself or a proxy. Any time that a quorum is not present, we cannot conduct the meeting. Please set aside sufficient time for the meeting, and for all matters to be reviewed and acted upon by the Management Committee. Your presence and vote count.

**MAG MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
TENTATIVE AGENDA
July 13, 2005**

		<u>COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED</u>
1.	<u>Call to Order</u>	
2.	<u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>	
3.	<u>Call to the Audience</u> An opportunity is provided to the public to address the Management Committee on items that are not on the agenda that are within the jurisdiction of MAG, or non-action agenda items that are on the agenda for discussion or information only. Citizens will be requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the Management Committee requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on agenda items posted for action will be provided the opportunity at the time the item is heard.	3. Information.
4.	<u>Executive Director's Report</u> The MAG Executive Director will provide a report to the Management Committee on activities of general interest.	4. Information and discussion.
5.	<u>Approval of Consent Agenda</u> Prior to action on the consent agenda, members of the audience will be provided an opportunity to comment on consent items that are being presented for action. Following the comment period, Committee members may request that an item be removed from the consent agenda. Consent items are marked with an asterisk (*).	5. Recommend approval of the Consent Agenda.

ITEMS PROPOSED FOR CONSENT*

MINUTES

*5A.	<u>Approval of June 15, 2005 Meeting Minutes</u>	5A. Review and approve the June 15, 2005 meeting minutes.
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TRANSPORTATION ITEMS

*5B. Draft FY 2007-2011 MAG Transportation Improvement Program Guidance Report

MAG is starting the process to develop the FY 2007-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which is tentatively targeted for approval in July 2006. The first step in the TIP process is the distribution of the TIP Guidance Report (TGR), which was developed to act as a guide to decision makers to facilitate the programming of transportation projects in the region. The TGR contains the application forms for MAG Federal funds and represents the formal request for projects for addition to the FY 2007-2011 MAG TIP. The Transportation Review Committee (TRC) recommended acceptance of the TGR. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*5C. Enhancement Funds Working Group Round XIII Recommendations

The Enhancement Funds Working Group was formed by the MAG Regional Council in April of 1993 to review and recommend a ranked list of Enhancement Fund applications from this region to the State Transportation Enhancement Review Committee (TERC). This year, 17 enhancement fund applications for local funds were received totaling \$6,919,441 with approximately \$6 million available statewide. Two applications for state funds were received totaling \$1,078,853 with approximately \$3.4 million available statewide. The Working Group recommends that the attached ranked applications be forwarded to the Arizona Department of Transportation for consideration by the TERC. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*5D. Proposed Amendment to the FY 2004-2007 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for Highway and Transit Projects

Following approval of the FY 2004-2007 MAG TIP on November 25, 2003, a project has been identified that needs to be added to the TIP to allow it to proceed during the current fiscal year. A multi-use path project on the Consolidated Canal:

5B. Recommend acceptance of the Draft FY 2007-2011 MAG TIP Guidance Report.

5C. Recommend that the ranked applications from the MAG Enhancement Funds Working Group be forwarded to the Arizona Department of Transportation for consideration by the State Transportation Enhancement Committee.

5D. Recommend approval of an Amendment and/or Administrative Adjustment to the FY 2004-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program to add one new Enhancement Funded Mesa projects and several new transit projects, plus make several changes to existing transit projects as shown in the attached tables.

8th St. to Lindsay Rd. in Mesa was awarded Transportation Enhancement funds in a prior year but was inadvertently declared as being underway in a previous TIP. The project is now ready to proceed, but needs to be re-added to the current TIP. It also is necessary to either amend the TIP or to carry out some Administrative Adjustments to incorporate several changes to existing transit projects. All of the proposed changes may be categorized as exempt projects or minor project revisions for which an air quality conformity analysis is not required. Consultation on the conformity assessment for the proposed changes is considered under a separate agenda item. The TRC recommended approval of the project changes described above. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*5E. Federal Fiscal Year 2005 MAG Federal Funds Final Closeout and Amendment/Adjustments to the FY 2004-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program

On April 27, 2005, the MAG Regional Council approved the deferral of 15 projects, totaling almost \$13 million, from FFY 2005 to 2006, or later. At the May 26, 2005, meeting, the TRC recommended approximately \$20 million in projects for the funds expected to be available for the FFY 2005 Closeout, including the funds released by the deferred projects. In addition, the TRC recommended approximately \$5.6 million in contingency projects. On June 11, 2005, the Management Committee added two further projects for \$848,700 in CMAQ funds to the contingency list. These projects are for any additional, supplemental or redistributed obligation authority that may be received. Since that time, three other projects, totaling \$2.7 million have requested to be deferred, which effectively reduced the list of contingency projects to five, totaling \$3.7 million. At the June 30, 2005 meeting, the TRC recommended approval of adding two ADOT projects to the list of contingency projects. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5E. Recommend approving the final closeout of Federal FY 2005, and recommend amending/adjusting the FY 2004-2007 MAG TIP to allow the projects to proceed.

AIR QUALITY ITEMS***5F. Conformity Consultation**

The Maricopa Association of Governments is conducting consultation on a conformity assessment for an amendment to the FY 2004-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The amendment includes a City of Mesa Transportation Enhancement-funded project located at the Consolidated Canal between 8th Street and Lindsay Road for FY 2005. Also, Valley Metro has requested an amendment to transit projects in the FY 2004-2007 TIP to ensure that the Federal Transit Administration Grant Application and the TIP are in conformance. The amendment includes projects that may be categorized as exempt from conformity determinations and minor project revisions that do not require a conformity determination. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5F. Consultation.

***5G. Consultant Selection for the MAG Highway Performance Monitoring System Traffic Count Study**

The FY 2006 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget includes funding to conduct traffic counts for the Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS). A request for proposals was advertised for the MAG HPMS Traffic Count Study. Two proposals were received from Field Data Services of Arizona and Traffic Research & Analysis, Inc. A multi-jurisdictional team evaluated the proposals and recommended to MAG that Field Data Services of Arizona be selected to conduct HPMS traffic counts on collector and local streets for an amount not to exceed \$8,512. This is the first of two phases of the HPMS Traffic Count Study. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5G. Recommend that Field Data Services of Arizona be selected to conduct the first phase of the MAG HPMS Traffic Count Study for an amount not to exceed \$8,512.

GENERAL ITEMS***5H. Draft MAG 208 Water Quality Management Plan Amendment for the Proposed Expansion of the Central Buckeye Wastewater Treatment Plant**

5H. Recommend approval of the Draft MAG 208 Water Quality Management Plan Amendment for the Expansion of the Central Buckeye Wastewater Treatment Plant.

The Town of Buckeye has requested that MAG amend the 208 Water Quality Management Plan to include an expansion of the Central Buckeye Wastewater Treatment Plant. The plant is identified in the current MAG 208 Plan for a capacity of 2.0 million gallons per day (mgd) with an Arizona Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (AZPDES) permit discharge. The amendment includes a facility expansion to 16.6 mgd ultimate capacity with the AZPDES discharge and a facility name change to "Central Buckeye Wastewater Treatment Plant." The Maricopa County unincorporated area is within three miles of the project, and the County has indicated it does not object to the facility expansion. On July 12, 2005, the MAG Water Quality Advisory Committee will conduct a public hearing on the Draft MAG 208 Plan Amendment and a recommendation may be forthcoming to the MAG Management Committee. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*5I. Draft MAG 208 Water Quality Management Plan Amendment for the City of Surprise Special Planning Area Two Regional Water Reclamation Facility

The City of Surprise has requested that MAG amend the 208 Water Quality Management Plan to include the Special Planning Area Two Regional Water Reclamation Facility with an ultimate capacity of 10.5 million gallons per day. Reclaimed water from the facility would be disposed through recharge, reuse, and a potential Arizona Pollutant Discharge Elimination System discharge. The City of Peoria and Maricopa County unincorporated area are within three miles of the project, and both have indicated they do not object to the facility. On July 12, 2005, the MAG Water Quality Advisory Committee will conduct a public hearing on the Draft MAG 208 Plan Amendment and a recommendation may be forthcoming to the MAG Management Committee. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*5J. Evaluation of Policy for Compiling Information of Regionally Significant Development Projects

On June 25, 2003 and October 22, 2003, the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG)

5I. Recommend approval of the Draft MAG 208 Water Quality Management Plan Amendment for the City of Surprise Special Planning Area Two Regional Water Reclamation Facility.

5J. Recommend approval of the recommendations for Regionally Significant Development Projects.

Regional Council discussed and approved compiling information on Regionally Significant Development Projects. The purpose was to provide MAG member agencies with the regional transportation costs of major development projects. This procedure was approved for an eighteen-month evaluation period. Based on this experience, a status report and recommendations for the future will be presented. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*5K. Amendment to the FY 2006 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to Include Additional Funds From the Governor's Office

On July 5, 2005, MAG was notified that the Governor's Office provided MAG \$39,992 in Innovative Grant funding to further the activities of the Human Services Program. It is necessary to amend the FY 2006 MAG Unified Planning Work Program to include these funds. These funds will support domestic violence planning and coordination in the West Valley.

5K. Recommend amending the FY 2006 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to include \$39,992 from the Governor's Office to further the activities of the MAG Human Services Program and support domestic violence planning and coordination in the West Valley.

ITEMS PROPOSED TO BE HEARD

TRANSPORTATION ITEMS

6A. FY 2005 MAG Final Phase Public Input Opportunity

The Final Phase input opportunity gives members of the public the ability to provide comment on MAG transportation plans and programs. As part of this opportunity, MAG co-sponsored several public input opportunities in May and June 2005 with the Arizona Department of Transportation, Valley Metro and Valley Metro Rail. An open house/public hearing was held June 16, 2005 to provide information and receive comment on the Draft FY 2006-2010 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), the Regional Transportation Plan - 2005 Update and Draft 2005 MAG Conformity Analysis. Comments received during these input opportunities and staff responses to comments are included in the Final Phase Input Opportunity Report. Please refer to the enclosed material.

6A. Recommend acceptance of the FY 2005 MAG Final Phase Public Input Opportunity Report.

6B. Finding of Conformity for the Draft FY 2006-2010 MAG Transportation Improvement Program, Draft Regional Transportation Plan - 2005 Update

The Draft 2005 Conformity Analysis concludes that the draft Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the Regional Transportation Plan - 2005 Update meet all applicable federal conformity requirements and are in conformance with applicable air quality plans. On June 16, 2005, a public hearing was conducted on the draft TIP, Regional Transportation Plan - 2005 Update, and Conformity Analysis. On June 23, 2005, the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee recommended approval of the Draft 2005 MAG Conformity Analysis for the Draft FY 2006-2010 MAG Transportation Improvement Program and Draft MAG Regional Transportation Plan - 2005 Update. Approval of the conformity finding by the Regional Council is required for MAG adoption of the TIP and RTP. Please refer to the enclosed material.

6C. Approval of the Draft FY 2006-2010 MAG Transportation Improvement Program

Each year MAG updates the Five Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), primarily by adding a fifth year. All federally funded projects and regionally significant transportation projects (include city and privately funded projects) must be included in the draft TIP for the purpose of meeting the air quality conformity analysis requirements. The Draft FY 2006-2010 TIP was approved by Regional Council, in April 2005, to undergo this analysis, which is now complete. A public hearing on the draft TIP was conducted June 16, 2005. The TRC recommended approval of the Draft TIP, contingent upon a finding of conformity. Please refer to the enclosed material.

6D. Approval of the Draft MAG Regional Transportation Plan - 2005 Update

As part of the process to update the MAG Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and develop the MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the period FY 2006-10, changes have been proposed regarding the phases in which

6B. Recommend approval of the Finding of Conformity for the Draft FY 2006-2010 MAG Transportation Improvement Program and Draft MAG Regional Transportation Plan - 2005 Update.

6C. Recommend approval of the Draft FY 2006-2010 MAG Transportation Improvement Program contingent upon a finding of conformity of the RTP with the applicable state and federal air quality conformity implementation plans.

6D. Recommend approval of the Draft MAG Regional Transportation Plan - 2005 Update contingent upon a finding of conformity of the RTP with the applicable state and federal air quality conformity implementation plans.

certain projects in the RTP would be constructed. These changes have been included in the Draft MAG Regional Transportation Plan - 2005 Update and the Draft MAG FY 2006-2010 Transportation Improvement Program, as appropriate. The 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments require that transportation plans and programs be in conformance with applicable air quality plans. To comply with this requirement, a conformity analysis was conducted on the Draft 2005 RTP Update and the Draft FY 2006-2010 TIP. This analysis has demonstrated that the Draft 2005 RTP Update and Draft FY 2006-2010 TIP meet air quality conformity requirements. The TRC recommended approval of the Draft RTP Update, contingent upon a finding of conformity. Please refer to the enclosed material.

7. Williams Gateway Freeway Preferred Alignment

The Williams Gateway Freeway corridor is an element of the MAG Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), adopted by the MAG Regional Council in November 2003. The RTP calls for construction of the facility during fiscal years 2016-2020. Beginning in November 2004, MAG initiated an Alignment and Environmental Overview Study for the future Williams Gateway Freeway. The study is organized into two phases. Phase I is aimed at developing a recommended preferred alignment for the facility, while Phase 2 will identify the specific characteristics of the preferred alignment. The engineering consultant firm for the MAG study, DMJM+HARRIS, has completed the technical process for Phase I. Alternative 3 - Frye Road is being recommended as the preferred alignment for the Williams Gateway Freeway, to be considered for adoption through the MAG committee and Regional Council review process. Please refer to the enclosed material.

7. Recommend the selection of Alternative 3 - Frye Road as the preferred alignment for the Williams Gateway Freeway in Maricopa County.

AIR QUALITY ITEM

8. Update on Critical Issues with the Maricopa County Air Programs

The MAG Regional Council has requested that Maricopa County provide monthly updates on the progress being made to address the deficiencies in

8. Information and discussion.

the Title V Permit Program for industrial sources and the enforcement of the Maricopa County Dust Control Rules. If these issues are not resolved, they could impact the MAG Transportation Improvement Program and Regional Transportation Plan. The County is preparing the work plan due to the Environmental Protection Agency this summer to correct the Title V deficiencies. For dust control, the County is in the process of converting the contract positions to full-time employee positions and then will begin hiring for 22 vacancies. A status report will be provided.

GENERAL ITEMS

9. Preparations for Conducting the 2005 Census Survey

At the June 14, 2005 Management Committee meeting, information was provided on: address lists, outdoor locations, the census questionnaire print test, Census 2005 Web site and recruitment for the 2005 Census Survey effort. Since this is the last Management Committee meeting before the 2005 Census Survey is mailed to randomly selected residents in your community, a presentation will be provided on tasks completed to date and tasks that need to be completed before the survey mailing. A census survey timeline, updated cost information, report on the mail materials, technical tasks, publicity effort and next steps will be provided. Please refer to enclosed material.

10. MAG County Library District Stakeholders Group

On April 11, 2005, the Management Committee made a motion to forward the recommendations of the MAG County Library District Stakeholders Group to the Regional Council, that the Stakeholders develop an implementation schedule within a month, and report back to the Management Committee. On April 27, 2005, the Regional Council approved the recommendations that the Maricopa County Library District pursue purchasing a core set of electronic databases that would be available to all libraries and that the reciprocal borrowing agreement be restructured by developing a formula that reflects actual costs,

9. Information and discussion.

10. Information, discussion and possible action.

and to have a one time rate increase to an amount not to exceed \$28 while the formula is being developed. The MAG County Library District Stakeholders Group met again on May 31 and June 8. Representatives from the Maricopa County Library District were not available for those meetings. The municipal Stakeholders have developed a proposal to implement of the recommendations. Additional meetings of the Stakeholders are being coordinated. An update will be provided.

11. MAG Building Lease Working Group Update

On January 10, 2005, the MAG Executive Committee formed the Building Lease Working Group (BLWG) to advise MAG on the options available regarding future office space. The current MAG office lease expires on June 30, 2006. The BLWG met on a regular basis between February and May 2005 to determine the feasibility of building new office space. It was suggested to explore the option of housing MAG, Valley Metro Rail, Regional Public Transportation Authority and the Arizona Municipal Water Users Association in a new building, due to their close working relationships over the next 20 years. The focus is on convenience for elected officials, optimal meeting room space and adequate parking. Please refer to the enclosed material.

12. Comments from the Committee

An opportunity will be provided for Management Committee members to present a brief summary of current events. The Management Committee is not allowed to propose, discuss, deliberate or take action at the meeting on any matter in the summary, unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

11. Information and discussion.

12. Information.